

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth
peace, good will toward men."

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CHURCH OF GOD WON GIGANTIC LEGAL BATTLE

:-: "O MAGNIFY THE LORD WITH ME, AND LET US EXALT HIS NAME TOGETHER" :-:

LET ALL THE SAINTS EVERYWHERE HUMBLE THEMSELVES BEFORE THE GOD OF HEAVEN AND
ACKNOWLEDGE HIS SON AS THE SUPREME HEAD OF THE CHURCH.

THE DAWN OF A BETTER DAY

Golden Opportunity For Greater Development Along Every Line

J. S. Llewellyn, Editor and Publisher

Thousands of saints and friends will rejoice at the glad news that the long struggle is over and the long weary hours of uncertainties are now passed, and the glorious victory is won. The principle on which the battle has been fought is vindicated. The earnest prayers of thousands of saints have been heard, the burden lifted, many hearts made glad, many unsettled questions judiciously determined and the work of the church placed on a firmer and surer basis. Therefore all will confidently look forward to greater development than ever before.

There seems to have arisen in the minds of some that the whole affair was useless and can serve no good purpose but those who have been very closely associated with the work and even others here who are friends in a business way to all the parties connected with the affair have said that while the court litigation was apparently an unfortunate affair for the Church yet at the same time there was no way that the matters in question and the difficulties could be regulated without a authoritative judicial opinion covering the legal phase of the whole matter. It has also been conceded that the Church could not have prospered and been successful without the settlement of all the matters in question either by agreement or a judicial opinion. It has further been conceded by parties on both sides of the litigation that it is better to have the whole matter settled in order that all parties concerned may know just what to do, what plans to make and therefore there is an apparent air of relief to all parties that the matter is now finally settled.

The case was styled the Church of God vs. A. J. Tomlinson, et al and originated in the Chancery Court, Bradley County, Tenn., bill filed by the Church of God against certain original defendants. The defendants answered the bill then soon thereafter a cross bill was filed by about thirty-nine complainants charging that the original complainants had departed from the faith by the adoption of a constitution which was unanimously adopted by the Annual Assembly 1921. Many days were taken up in the taking of proof and by the time all the proof was in, a very voluminous record had accumulated. Finally the case came on for hearing before the chancellor, T. L. Stewart, and required almost two weeks to hear the case. A few weeks thereafter the chancellor delivered his opinion in favor of the church sustaining the original bill. Thereupon the original defendants and cross complainants appealed to the Court of the Civil Appeals sitting at Knoxville, Tenn. and on July 3, 1926 the Court of Appeals handed down an opinion reversing the chancellor, sustaining the cross bill. Then the original complainants filed brief and petition for supersedeure in the Supreme Court of the state. The Supreme Court granted the Church a

supersedeure thus superseding the decisions of the Court of Civil Appeals and lifting the injunctive feature. Finally on the 4th day of April, 1927 the case was set for final hearing before the State Supreme Court, brief and argument by the attorneys was presented and on the 15th day of July 1927 they handed the final opinion reversing the Court of Appeals and affirming the chancellor's opinion which was in favor of the Church of God.

This case is said to be the biggest case that has ever been before the courts in Tennessee. It has attracted wide spread attention, possibly on account of many thousands of people being interested in the final outcome. The opinion has a very far reaching effect and will no doubt mean much in the readjustment of the business affairs of each of the parties concerned.

Now to one and all inasmuch as the dark shadows of many uncertainties are now removed and new and greater opportunities await us, let us not be unduly jubilant over the victory won but let us rather humble ourselves before the Lord and take new courage and earnestly and fervently pray that God will give us a fresh anointing and make us equal to the new and greater responsibilities that now confront us. Let us cherish the kindest feeling toward those who have been once associated with us and all others. Let us ever possess the spirit of the Divine Head of the Church, remembering that this is not a personal matter, therefore we cannot afford to allow any personal feeling to arise. Let us earnestly pray that God Himself will overrule and supersede any ill effects that this hard struggle may have caused and that we shall all rejoice together and confidently look forward to greater success along every line, remembering that God is in our midst in a marvelous way.

OLD FASHION TIME IN THE LORD

GRAYSVILLE, Tenn.—Just closed a nineteen nights meeting at Graysville, Tenn. We surely had a good time. The devil did his best but thank God we overcame him at last. The writer did most of the preaching. Our District pastor helped all he could.

There were near thirty who came thru to the Lord and He manifested Himself in a wonderful way. Four came into the church and four were baptized in water. A good number are looking this way. Please pray for us at this place. We have about thirty-seven members and hope to

MOTHER'S PRAYER ANSWERED

BESSEMER, Ala.—I praise God for having answered prayer. I prayed for God to send Brother Robert and Sister Minnie Duke to preach the Gospel and praise His sweet name. He did send them and they did their best though this is a hard place. The Lord sent them to call the attention of sinners to the way they were going and one was saved before they left.

I went to prayer every night but couldn't get thru, so the last night I asked God to show me my trouble. I asked my brother to pray that God would show me. How long I prayed, I don't know. The service broke and most of the people went home but I stayed at the feet of Jesus. I just told the people I wasn't satisfied and I didn't mean to leave so I fell back on my knees and told God He just as well save me. I knew He had a blessing for me and I meant to have it before I left and the blessing came and I got saved. Oh, it was wonderful. I promised my mother on her death bed I would be a Christian. She prayed that prayer so often for me. I truly thank God for giving me a praying mother whose prayers lasted so long.

I want the prayers of all the praying people for I want to live so close to God that I can feel His presence each day. Pray for my family to be saved and that I may be healed of stomach trouble and get sanctified and receive the Holy Ghost.—Pearl Wesson, R. 2, Box 675.

get more. Pray for the Lord to keep us on the firing line.

On Sunday night we observed the Lord's Supper and washed feet and had a good old fashion time.—E. H. Long.

BEST MEETING EVER IN McCOLL

McCOLL, S. C.—We have just closed a seventeen days meeting at McColl in our new church. Praise God there were fourteen saved, ten sanctified, three received the Holy Ghost and two came into the Church. Others have seen the light on the Church of God as never before and say they know it is right.

We had a wonderful time. People said that it looked like a camp meeting. Brother and Sister Hanvey from Dillon were with us. Surely God is with them, they preach the Bible with power. Thank God for preachers like this. The saints are greatly revived and they are standing like a stone wall. People came out to meeting who had never been to the Church of God before. They say it was the best meeting ever held in McColl. The Baptist, M. E. and Pentecostal Holiness churches closed their doors and came over with us. They surely did enjoy the meeting. We believe there were two thousand people at the last service. Sister Hanvey preached the last sermon using for a text Gen. 19:17 "Escape for thy life." The Holy Ghost surely did give the people a great warning. People here are looking toward the Church of God and hated to see the meeting close. We have love and unity at McColl.—R. P. Turner, pastor.

GOD BLESSED -DEVIL RAGED

LENOIR CITY, Tenn.—I praise the Lord for His goodness to me. Just closed a meeting at Shooting Creek, N. C. Two were saved and one baptized. The Lord surely blessed and the devil raged and we had a good time in the Lord.—J. G. Garrett.

WE DO NOT NEED A TRUMPET

Victory Should Be In The Heart and Not the Head

F. J. Lee, General Overseer

This issue of the Evangel carries the announcement of the sweeping victory for the Church of God in the final decree of the court handed down by the Supreme Court.

Many earnest prayers have been prayed, that God would have His way in this affair. Almost every day since this litigation started, there have been earnest prayers gone up from the prayer room that God would have His way. Many have said, "Not my will, but thy will be done." We certainly feel that the thousands of prayers have been answered.

Since the cloud that has been hanging low over the Church of God has been lifted we should feel very grateful to God. No man should say, "See what we have done," but rather say, "See what God has done."

We have regretted very much that these issues had to be ferreted out, but since it has culminated I feel sure that the Church is glad it came to a show down.

It is marvelous how firm the Church has stood in this long drawn out affair, though there were many odds against her and many problems to surmount. We must say that it is only by the grace of God that we stand today.

Now dear ones let us not gloat over our victory with a malignant satisfaction, but let us treat all men right.

I don't know how the people in general will take the victory, some will express themselves one way and some another. I don't feel like taking a banner and a drum or a band and parading the streets with a shout of triumph, but I feel more like humbling myself under the mighty hand of God and falling before Him weeping and with a heart of humility, thank Him for His favors, not so much to us but to the Church of God. O that all the saints will take new courage and faith for the work of the Lord, and with greater zeal and energy enter the work and prove your self to be a true faithful child of God.

Some have said how can you folks of the two factions meet each other and shake hands as though you were not in a litigation? We have stated that this is not a personal affair, it is only a friendly contention for a legal adjudication of certain matters. Now since this is done, my advice to one and all is, turn your face toward heaven, God and His cause and labor patiently for the salvation of souls.

We feel that the victory won will prove a victory for souls over sin and Satan, since the Church of God is not to be molested, let her go with victory to liberate souls who are in a conflict with Satan. Amen.

COMING TO THE FRONT

FRANKFIELD, Jamaica.—This place is coming to the front. The church is thriving. We truly thank God for our Elder M. Smith who has devoted his time, talent and service to the Lord. He started this work here alone with the Lord his guide. He gained a few brethren and by earnest living it moved along thru hard struggles till this blessed and glorious church was organized by seeking to know the hidden things of God. Today the church is on the winning side.

We are glad to let all the dear readers know that we are standing today in the church as real members of Christ. We have a membership of seventy-one, also have a good Sunday School. The word of God says, "He that humbleth himself shall be exalted." Surely God can work and will work thru a people that is humble. Bless His name. We have victory on every side. Members of crowds are seeing the blessed sunlight and are coming to Jesus. We are glad for the living Church of God which Jesus hath purchased with His own blood. We are endeavoring each day to be ever zealous after good works. God bless you all.—I. Lewison.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZED - 75 PRESENT

GREENVILLE, Tenn.—We have just closed a four weeks meeting seven miles from Greenville. Brother I. H. Brabson was in charge. The Lord surely blessed in giving out the Word with power and great results.

The attendance was good at all services and the people with one accord gave heed unto the words which were spoken, hearing and seeing the manifestations of the old time religion demonstrated thru the saints and they gladly received the Word and there were twenty-seven saved, twenty sanctified and twenty-one received the Holy Ghost. Twenty-three followed the Lord in water baptism.

The church was set in order with twenty-six members and many more looking this way. Sunday School was organized with about seventy-five present. The Lord's Supper and feet washing were observed the last night of the meeting and we truly enjoyed the presence of the Lord. The meeting closed with great interest. We earnestly covet the prayers of the saints everywhere that God will give us a revival in Greenville soon. We have a lot if we can get a tent. Your brother in Christ.—C. W. Arrowood.

The Dawn of Day

J. S. Llewellyn, Editor and Publisher

The long, long, night has past,
The day has dawned at last.

The hard fought battle is done,
The glorious victory is won.

Let the shouts ascend from every land,
We are a victorious happy band.

We'll humble ourselves before the Lord;
Stand firmly on His precious Word.

We have the kindest feeling in our heart,
For all our friends we've had to part.

We now extend a welcome hand,
To all who will come and join our band.

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NOTICE

SONG BOOKS

We now have in stock an ample supply of the following song books: **Triumphant Songs**, price, single copy 25c, 1 doz. \$2.50, fifty \$10.00, one hundred \$18.00. **Glory Way**, single copy 35c, 1 doz. \$3.50, fifty \$13.50, **Gospel Waves**, single copy 35c, 1 doz. \$3.50, fifty \$13.50.We are very sorry to inform our people that we are temporarily out of stock of the song books titled **Full Salvation and Church of God No. 4**. Please bear this in mind. We are more than glad to supply you with such books as we have in stock.—Church of God Publishing House.

THE COMFORTER IS ALWAYS PRESENT

VANCE, Miss.—I am thanking and praising God for His goodness and love to me, because that He saw fit when I was young to save me. I was saved when I was only thirteen years old and I would pray in secret every day for a while; but I am sorry to say that I went back in sin and about three years later I was saved again. saw the light on sanctification, went to the altar and sought for it. I have always wanted everything that the Lord has in store for me. The preacher said I was sanctified, but I was deceived. Later I saw the light on the Holy Ghost and began to seek for it, but found out that I had never been sanctified. Praise God I got sanctified and about a year later I received the Holy Ghost. I am also a member of the Church of God, have been a member for seven years.

Praise God I feel like traveling on. I feel better every time I talk about this good old way. I just can not praise God enough for what He has done for me. I have been tried many times, but by the grace of God I have stood true. The comforter has always been present in every time of need. God wants a tried people. By the help of the Lord I mean to stand true and make Heaven my home. All pray for me, also my unsaved husband. I want to rear my children for God.—Mrs. Katie Mezzies.

NOTICES :: SPECIALS

The W. Va. State Convention will convene at Logan, W. Va., Aug. 17th to 20th inclusive.—H. N. Scoggins, 1404 18th St., Huntington, W. Va.

I would like to know the whereabouts of Sister Rozie Funderburt, the mother of Luther Funderburt. I especially desire her address.—Bessie E. Scruggs, Webb, Miss.

There will be a memorial singing 3 miles north of Empire, Ala. the second Sunday in August in memory of Brother Gulle Stocks at Pine Grove. Brother Edwards will preach the memorial sermon at 11:00 o'clock if the Lord is willing. Everybody invited. Come and bring your song book and a well filled basket.

We will try the devil another round in July. We will start another meeting at Richard City, Tenn., July 24th, the 4th Sunday. Bro. P. W. Hackney will be in charge, assisted by D. W. Odell and Brother Frank Swaggerty of Dayton, Tenn. Everybody invited to attend this meeting. Remember the date, July 24th, 1927.—G. W. Woods.

Anyone who would like to come to Acworth, Ga. to hold a meeting will be gladly welcomed and you will be taken care of while you are with us. This is a needful place. People seem to be very interested and keep inquiring if we are going to have a two weeks meeting. If we can get a Church of God preacher full of the Holy Ghost we will have a meeting. If you feel that God is sending you here, write to Mr. Lee Bramlett, Acworth, Ga.

The North Florida Camp Meeting will convene at Branford, Fla., from August 11th to August 21st inclusive D. V.

Our State overseer, Brother Self, will be in charge of the meeting, with Sister Vesta Self at the piano. We are expecting the best camp meeting ever held at this place. Many from South Florida and probably Georgia are planning to be here.

Arrangements will be made for the people who attend to stay as cheap as possible, although you can save money if you have a camping outfit. Everybody come with your minds on the Lord expecting a wonderful outpouring of His Spirit and power. Remember, the Branford camp meeting is a good place for people to go to receive a blessing from the Lord. For further particulars, write L. V. Hall, Branford, Fla.—John E. Connatser, Pastor of local church.

WHAT IS IT?

An old fashioned revival in an old fashioned way by some old fashioned saints in an old fashioned tabernacle with some old fashioned preaching and an old fashioned altar.

Where is it to be?

Four miles east of Cleveland, Miss.

When is it to be?

Beginning Friday night July 29th and continuing two weeks.

Preachers: J. C. Coats, Overseer of La., and others as the Lord leads. We must have the Father, Son and the Holy Ghost to lead and help or the meeting will be a failure. Leave styles, fashion and formality behind. Workers who do not wear short skirts, low necks and no sleeves are wanted to help. Come filled with the Spirit.—P. F. Fritz, Cleveland, Miss.

The East Coast District Convention of the Churches of God will convene Aug. 6th and 7th in the big tabernacle at 9th Ave. and 30th St., N. W. Miami, Fla. We especially insist that every pastor and Sunday School Superintendent with a goodly number of representatives from each church, make a special effort to be present at this

great feast from the Lord.

We expect to have good singing, good music, good preaching, much praying and shouting. Preparations will be made for dinner at the big tabernacle. God must be revered, Christ exalted and the Holy Ghost honored at this convention, so everybody is invited to come praying with the victory and expect great things from Him who is able to bless exceedingly and abundantly above that we can ask or think.

Brother J. A. Self will be in charge, please pray especially for this convention that God will make it the best of the year. P. W. Chessier, Dist. Overseer.

The Louisiana State Camp Meeting will convene Aug. 20th to 30th inclusive at Epps, La., D. V. Everybody invited to come and let your souls feast on the good things of God. Plenty room for camping.—J. C. Coats, Overseer of La.

CORRECTION

In the Evangel of July 9th, the report headed "The Lone Star State", should have read five baptized in water instead of five baptized with the Holy Ghost.

REQUEST

Sister Bessie E. Scruggs of Webb, Miss., request prayer of all the saints that God will heal her of a severe cough and cold, also that He will heal her jaw which was bursted when having some teeth pulled.

Mr. J. L. Scott is in bed and has no hopes of getting well except thru prayer and he asked me to write for prayer for him. Please pray for him to be healed and filled with the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. A. J. Hamrick, Emory, Texas, R. 2.

I am a member of the great Body and I am afflicted in my eyes and I know God is able to heal. I ask every child of God to pray that God will heal me. I am saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. I have been healed many times and I believe in the healing virtue of God.—Minnie Boone.

I want to ask the people who know God to pray a special prayer for my sister, Mrs. T. W. Marsh. Pray that God will heal her body and baptize her with the Holy Ghost. Her husband is an unbeliever so please pray for her. She believes God can heal her.

I request prayer for the healing of my body of kidney trouble. There are no Church of God people in this country and I need the prayers of all praying people. Pray for my family and that God will baptize my husband with the Holy Ghost. He is a believer.—Mrs. J. F. Frost, Edison, Ga.

Dear saints this day finds me saved and trusting God for all things. He heals my body when I get sick and I am praising Him for it. My daughter's little girl is no better and I ask special prayer for her. I wrote for the saints to pray for her once and she got better but two weeks ago she took fever and is very weak.

Her father and mother are sinners but her mother writes for me to pray for her dear little girl. Dear ones join me in prayer to God for her. I always get better when I write for the saints to pray for me. My husband is a wicked man and there is no one here who believes in Pentecost but me. I am praying daily for God to fill me with the Holy Ghost. I need power and I want to work for Jesus. Pray for my children to be saved. I want to pray more and live humble at the feet of Jesus.—Mrs. Dora Green, Dudley, Mo., Route 1.

"A BROKEN AND A CONTRITE HEART, O GOD, THOU WILT NOT DESPISE"

Psa. 51:17.

MARRIETTA, Ga.—Dear saints I want to praise the Lord for blessing me and keeping me through the dark hours. On the 12th of March my only girl was called away. I was sick at the time and did not get to talk with her about her soul but I believe she has gone to rest.

My husband does not believe in holiness and will not let me attend the services. I have had the Holy Ghost over eight years. Oh, He means so much to me. Please pray for me that I might get to go to church and be able to do something for the Lord for He has done so much for me. Pray that my health will be restored, also pray for my children. How I do hunger to hear the Word preached.—Mary Gibson.

4th of July Service

WILMINGTON, Del.—This day has been chosen as our Annual Feast Day. It seems as if our Lord Jesus did smile upon us this day. The saints and visitors came in crowds from many directions; some on train, some in autos, some by steam boats and some walking. We praise our Lord for a packed house from the pulpit to the door. The Church of God pastor and saints from Philadelphia and Norristown, Pa. were present, also some saints from Reading, some Baptist and Methodist ministers and members of other holiness organizations.

Food of various kinds and large cans of lemonade was given away and great joy and contentment was shown on the faces of both saint and sinner when our worthy State Overseer slipped in about 11:30 a. m. The very presence of our God in person of the Holy Ghost took control of the services. There was a great calm and holy quietness on that large crowd of eager spectators as our much loved State Overseer, Brother H. W. Poteat, came forward to preach. His sermon was found at Exod. 14:15, "And the Lord said unto Moses, Wherefore criest thou unto me? speak unto the children of Israel, that they go forward."

We thank our God for that powerful soul stirring message and He caused His word to penetrate deep into the heart of people at this great meeting. Both white and colored were made to sit in awe and wonder as this man of God delivered unto the people the real things of our God. We are not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ, neither His church.

This was a great Fourth of July for one and all. About 5:30 p. m. Brother Poteat preached again. Many were hungry and were fed with real Church of God food mixed with plenty of grace. Many pledged that they were coming into the great Church of God, with headquarters at Cleveland, Tennessee, Brother F. J. Lee, General Overseer. The Churches of God at Philadelphia, Pa., Norristown, Pa. and Wilmington, Del. have been relinked by a renewed desire to work, and help each other, love each other better, be more loyal one to the other, and keep our vows before God and cling to the true Church of God thru all her trials and distresses. The Church here at Wilmington desires your prayers. I feel the great hand of God moving us forward. The God of peace that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, thru the blood of the everlasting, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight thru Jesus Christ to whom be glory forever and ever, amen.—G. R. Page, Pastor.

SEARCH OUT YOUR OWN SALVATION

Don't Take the Other Fellow's Word

LOUISE, Miss.—I joined the Church of God Aug. 11, 1926; God cleansed me by applying His blood and gave me the Holy Ghost. I talk in tongues and have the Bible for it. Acts 2:4 "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." I am glad I saw this way; so many can not see the light.

I take the Bible for it says, you cannot add to or take from it. Some people argue the Bible just to carry their point and are like the folks who stoned Stephen but Stephen cried out to the Lord and said, "Lord lay not this sin to their charge." They knew not what they were doing. Sinners are going on in their ways and cannot realize their conditions. I have talked to some and they swallowed everything and then turned again to their lust, so I hardly know what to do. The Bible tells us he that is just let him be just still and he that is filthy let him be filthy still. I am praying for the lost world and telling people Christ died for the world and that He is willing to receive them at any time. Dear reader study your Bible that you may search out your own salvation with fear and trembling. Don't take the other fellow's word.

Things look gloomy since the flood and someone asked me yesterday what we were going to do. I told them that when we had done all we could do then just trust God for the rest. Pray and He will hear our cries and we won't suffer. Thank God we have a Master and Lord to go to.

We have been having some good meetings. Brother Fritz, Brother C. G. Edwards, Brother Dunaway and other preachers visited us. Brother E. Wright set our church in order and Sister Mary Tidwell is our pastor. When she preaches the mighty power falls. We believe in the healing power. Three weeks ago I had flu. I took medicine and it did me no good so I asked my wife to pray for me. She got the Bible, turned to the 5th chapter of James, read it and then put the Bible on me and prayed. I was healed. Praise our God.

GOD HATH DONE GREAT THINGS

GREENVILLE, S. C.—I want to sound a note of praise thru the Evangel for my Christ. He has done great things for us here at Greenville. We have just closed a two weeks meeting in which the Lord surely did bless.

There were several saved and sanctified and about nine received the Holy Ghost. Six came into the church. Brother J. B. Ellis, our Pastor, did most of the preaching and his son, A. L. Ellis, was with us and did some of the preaching as well as working faithfully at the altar. We all love our Pastor. He is now in Georgia in a camp meeting.—B. F. Davis.

THANK GOD FOR DIVINE HEALING

TUSCALOOSA, Fla.—I was having some kind of spells with my heart. I sent a handkerchief to the prayer room at the Evangel Office and when it returned I laid it on my body in Jesus' name and He healed me at once, bless His dear name. I was afflicted with a terrible cold and I grew worse. I laid the Evangel on my head and promised the Lord if He would heal me I would witness for Him. I am trusting the Lord for the healing of my body and also my children's. I feel good in my soul.

All who read this pray for my unsaved children that God might save them before it is too late. I have the full blessing and am a member of the Church of God. Your sister in Christ.—Mrs. W. M. Fuller.

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Tommie Brown—

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Pray that we will continue to press on and live up to the standard requirement.—Ebb Sibley.

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LEE-LLEWELLYN FAC-TION WINS OVER TOMLINSON

Supreme Court Affirms Chancellor's Ruling.

TOMLINSON ALLOWED 10 DAYS TO FILE MOTION

Decision Gives Lee-Llewellyn Faction Control of All Properties and Exclusive Use of Name "Church of God"

The Lee-Llewellyn faction of the Church of God won their suit against A. J. Tomlinson, ousted overseer, to retain control of the church properties and exclusive use of the name "Church of God," according to the decision handed down Friday by the state Supreme Court which affirmed the ruling of the chancellor's court and reversed the ruling of the state court of appeals.

Tomlinson has ten days within which to file a motion for a new hearing and there is a probability of this being done. Attorney George Westerberg, local counsel for Tomlinson, states, however that it will be necessary to see the decision in full before deciding whether any further steps will be taken.

Judge T. L. Stewart's ruling, which was affirmed by the Supreme Court, holds the opinion being rendered by Justice McKinney, that the church has a right to adopt constitution and that such an adoption does not constitute a departure from the original faith. This ruling enjoined Tomlinson from using the name "Church of God" and from enjoying the right to any property or moneys held by the Church of God.

Tomlinson was charged by the Lee-Llewellyn faction with appropriating about \$14,000, but the evidence brought out at the trial was so indefinite that the chancellor could not arrive at any definite amount that Tomlinson was short and he ordered the clerk and master to collect evidence which would establish a definite amount for which Tomlinson could be held responsible.

The decree of the chancellor reads in part: "Said defendants, and all of their agents, representatives and fellow members are hereby expressly and perpetually enjoined from claiming or representing themselves to be connected in any way with the Church of God or any of the departments or allied organizations of said church; from keeping and retaining any contribution or remittance of any kind sent to the Church of God; from receiving members into any church or organization upon the claim or representation that the same is the Church of God. The defendant faction of the church may, by the consent of the court, use the name Church of God with a distinctive prefix attached, however."

A copy of the decision of the Supreme Court is not available in Cleveland today, but it is understood that the decision of the chancellor is affirmed in full.

NOTE—The ten days referred to in the above article that appeared in the Cleveland Banner is not to be construed as a possibility of a new trial, but it is a provision that if either of the attorneys should find that in their judgment, the court had failed to look into some important point, they have the privilege of filing a petition to rehear as to the point that they may choose to sight in their petition. Some have misconstrued this provision to mean that they can enter a motion and have a new hearing all together, but such is not the case.

I may say further that the Supreme Court of the state is a court of final jurisdiction from which there is no appeal unless some federal or constitutional question may be at issue.—Ed.

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Illinois State Camp-Meeting

We have secured the valuable service of our Brother Zeno C. Tharp, Pastor of the Church of God at E. Chattanooga, Tenn., for our State Camp Meeting to be held at Eldorado, Ill. Aug. 18-28. We are expecting this to be a great meeting and want to insist that every one who possibly can, arrange to be present at the first service and I am sure that if you are you will not want to miss any.

Brother Tharp is a good preacher and a good humble man of God and I am sure that the folks of Illinois will be delighted to have him with us for this meeting. Many of us have been wanting a camp meeting and praying the Lord to make it possible for us to have one, so our prayers have surely been heard. Friends let's do our best to attend every service of this meeting and I am sure that we will never regret the sacrifice that we may have to make to do so.

Brother Joplin and possibly other good singers will be present to lead the singing, and I am sure that the folks of Eldorado, will do every thing they can to make it as pleasant for every one who attends as they possibly can. Look forward to the meeting friends and pray for a mighty out pouring of the Holy Spirit and that this may be a real old time Camp Meeting.

For information address Rev. J. R. Thomas, or J. E. Curry, 2090 Wise St., Eldorado, Ill.—M. W. Letsinger.

THE FIRST FRUITS

Type of the Resurrection of Jesus

F. J. Lee, General Overseer

I will use the same verse used last week, only to call attention to the fact that we are writing about the feasts of the Lord.

These are the feasts of the Lord, even holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons.

Notice, they are feasts of the Lord. While they are given to Israel to keep, not for their enjoyment as a picnic, but they meant something, not only to the Jew but to the Gentile or to those who should later become spiritual Jews. As Paul said, He is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; * * * but he is a Jew which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter.

The Feast of the First Fruits. These were to be brought to the priest, in a basket. He was to set it before the altar of the Lord, then an elaborate ceremony took place.

Before the wheat harvest they would go into the field and cut some of the finest grain and wave it before the Lord. While they perhaps did not know the significance of this first fruit waved before the Lord, it spoke a great lesson. It signified that as this is the first fruit, there is an abundance like it to come forth. John says, "We shall be like him for we shall see him as he is."

Since Jesus is the first born from the dead, or the first fruits of the resurrection, it is very evident that the first fruits waved before the Lord were a type of the resurrection of Jesus. It also points to the fact that the main harvest is to follow and that the sheaves are to be like the first fruit.

Since Job announced that he expected to see God in the flesh, and since Jesus came forth with the same body that was laid in the tomb only three days before, and since the sheaf was like the rest of the grain, I am persuaded to believe that it will please God to give unto us a body with the same features, size, height, and everything else peculiar to our present bodies. It will take a miracle for God to collect the dust of our bodies, but the God that spoke worlds into existence is able to bring forth our body, though it be somewhere within the dust. This is what Job believed about it.

The first fruits of the harvest were to be waved before the Lord on the morrow after the Sabbath. This was a continued reminder that Jesus was to come forth from the tomb on the first day of the week. It would not have done to wave it on Thursday, Friday or any other day, because they were to jump over the Sabbath to another special day, the first day of the week, so Jesus came forth on this special appointed day and this day has stood out very prominent ever since. It is the day on which the Holy Ghost came. The most of Jesus' appearing to His disciples after the resurrection were on this day. Paul gave instruction to the church that money should be laid by in store on this day, according as the Lord had prospered her.

The main theme Paul and others used after this, was "Jesus and the resurrection." If they continually looked beyond the Jewish Sabbath to the first day when they were pointing to the resurrection of Jesus, why should we not ignore the old Jewish Sabbath which was a special day to them, and look to the first day which stands out very prominent as a herald of the resurrection?

Every one among the Jews knew what the first day of a certain month brought. It brought a feast of the first fruits. They never made a mistake and used the second or third day, but the first was so prominent that there was no need of mak-

ing any mistake about the day. So the first day is still more prominent with Christians, since the antitype is more real than the type.

The Dust Cannot Hold Them

Jesus said, Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have. Luke 24:39. "I myself." Not some one else, or even a spirit. This is the same body that went into the tomb only three days ago. Handle me and see if I am not flesh and bones. Give to me a piece of fish and honey comb and I will eat it in your presence to prove to you that I am not just a spirit.

Jesus ascended to heaven with this same body. He is there today. The two men from heaven announced to the disciples that this very same Jesus would come in like manner as they had seen Him go.

He was put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit. 1 Pet. 3:18. This means that His body was dead and laid within the tomb, but the Spirit brought it to life. Resurrection means, quickening. Paul refers to God who quickens the dead. Rom. 4:17. Resurrects them.

David said, Thou * * * shalt quicken me again, and shalt bring me up again from the depths of the earth. "Me" yes the real David, and bring him up though he is buried within the earth.

For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. Since the first born among many brethren came forth from the tomb with flesh and bone and we are to be in His image, and as John said "be like Him" who can deny that we shall come forth with our body, as He came forth with His?

As we have borne the image of the earth, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. 1 Cor 15:49.

Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body. Phil. 3:21.

We get a description of His glorious body at the transfiguration scene. His body was the same, but only glorified.

From the Dead

In Isaiah 26:19, we get a true picture of the resurrection.

Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in the dust: for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead.

Here is a positive statement that the dead shall live, and that they should rise with His dead body. Other words, since His dead body has risen so shall the bodies of others rise. He further calls for all those who dwell in the dust to wake and come forth with singing. The dust can't hold them, God by a stupendous miracle will call forth our bodies from the dust.

If there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen, and if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain, yea and we are found false witnesses * * * for if the dead rise not then is not Christ raised * * * but now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept. 1 Cor. 15:13-20.

Some men will say, * * * with what body do they come? Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened except it die. V. 35-36.

Since "quicken" in the subject under consideration means to make alive. We will ask the question, what dies? Answer—the body. What is sown, or planted within the earth?

J. L. MOODY ON SECRET SOCIETIES

The Church of the Lord Jesus Christ was becoming honey-combed in Moody's day with oath-bound secret society influences, the effect of which was to sadly deplete its spiritual vitality. Far more so is this true today. Said D. L. Moody, speaking on "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers."

"Some say that refers to matrimony. When I was in Philadelphia, * * * a minister said: 'I don't think that meant secret societies.' 'Do you belong to one?' I asked. He said, 'Yes.' You see the people will not admit that a text applies to themselves."

"I do not see how any Christian, most of all a Christian minister, can go into these secret lodges with unbelievers. They say they have more influence for good, but I say they can have more influence for good by staying out of them, and then reproving their evil deeds. Abraham had more influence for good in Sodom, although out of it, than Lot had in it. If twenty-five Christians go into a secret lodge with fifty who are not Christians, the fifty can vote anything they please, and the twenty-five will be partakers of their sins. They are unequally yoked together with unbelievers."

"I would rather have ten church members who were separated from the world than a thousand unseparated members. Come out from the lodge. Better one with God than a thousand without Him. We must walk with God, and if only one or two go with us it is all right. Do not let down the standard to suit men who love their secret lodges, or have some darling sin they will not give up."

To Moody's strong plea may be added this, that the "yoke" in the secret lodge is the oath binding men of dissimilar mind together, and COMPELLING them as it were to go in the same direction; just as the yoke COMPELS the oxen (however dissimilar they may be in mind) to go in the same direction. The believer's mind is supposed to be that of Christ, and he is headed heavenward. Are these things true of the unbelievers? If the believer is headed heavenward, and the unbeliever hellward, are they not "unequally yoked together" by the oath which binds them together—ONE OF GOD'S SHEEP AT ONE END OF THE YOKE, AND ONE OF THE DEVIL'S GOATS AT THE OTHER END? And is not this responsible for much of the Church's present-day apostasy and worldliness? "How can two"—A SHEEP AND A GOAT—"walk together except they be agreed?" Either both having the sheep mind, or else both having the goat mind! Lodge-trained sheep in the Church; church-trained goats in the lodge; and both, in both Church and lodge, trying to pull in the same direction, although their respective goals are in EXACTLY OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS. Wherefore GOD commands: "Come out from among them, AND BE YE SEPARATE, and I will be a Father to you." "For what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? and what concord hath Christ with Belial? OR WHAT PART HATH HE THAT BELIEVETH WITH AN INFIDEL?"—See 2 Cor. 6:14-18.

Pray for the cleansing of Christ's polluted Church.

PRAY FOR REVIVAL!

KENTUCKY STATE ASSEMBLY

RAVENNA, Ky.—The Kentucky State Assembly convened in Ravenna, Ky., June 23rd to 28th and was considered by all present to be the best assembly we have had in this state. The dear Lord was with us in great power from the very beginning to the last song and hand-shakes of parting.

The preaching brethren seemed to be at their best and we feel it can truthfully be said, that all the ministers enjoyed what the others had to say which brought wave after wave of glory from the presence of the Lord. Many times could be heard the expression of the Psalmist, "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

Unity and love is what we need in these days of doubts and criticism, that we may be able and willing to defend the cause and each other by which we will prove to the world that we are the disciples of our Lord and Christ.

A fuller report of the meeting will be sent in by the clerk of the Assembly.—J. A. Muncy.

Answer—the body. What is quickened? Answer—the very thing that is sown.

There is a difference in resurrection of the dead and resurrection from the dead. Notice, 'of' and 'from.' Paul labored that he might attain unto the resurrection from the dead. He realized that the wicked dead and the righteous dead were sleeping within the dust all at one time, but he was trying to live in a way that he could come forth from the dead.

This may be had in tract form if any one desires it.

HOLINESS FIGHTERS BELIEVE

LONDON, Tenn.—Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus. I am writing tonight as we are away from any Church of God people and have been in poor health for a long time but we are thanking God for salvation and for what strength we have. We thank Him for eyesight so we can read the precious Word.

I thank Him for healing my hand of a cancer or some kind of growth. I am able to work now and use my hand, it does not bother me at all. The folks here are almost all Holiness fighters but since they have seen how my hand was healed, they can't say much, only, "I believe they are right."

I want everyone to pray a special prayer for our boy that he will be saved and for us to get to be at the next assembly. We sing and have prayer in our home every day. If there is a Church of God preacher who wants to hold a meeting somewhere, we would like for him to come here and hold one for us. We will do all we can to help that we might have a meeting at this place. Pray much for us that we will hold out and stay humble at the feet of Jesus.—Your brother and sister, R. N. and Mary A. Pratt, Route 5.

27 SAVED

LaBELLE, Fla.—About four weeks after we left the Bible School we came to La Belle, Fla. to help a few days in a revival in which Brother Lewis had been battling for many days and great victory had already been gained. Several were reclaimed, twenty-seven saved and sanctified and about half the number received the Holy Ghost. Seventeen were baptized in water and twenty-one added to the church. Also ten subscriptions to the Evangel were taken.

Immediately after the Wimauma Camp Meeting we were sent here to take charge for the balance of this year. Many souls are interested here. Several new ones have found the Lord precious, from fifteen to twenty in the altar every altar service. We are engaged in another battle now with Brother W. Austin's aid and God is blessing. One man that has been in bed several months has become interested and today said God has saved him. God is still saving souls and is able to save to the uttermost.

We cannot close this report without speaking a good word for the good people here who have stood by us and the work in general. They have furnished us a nice house and all we had to do was to come in. They then surprised us with a big pantry shower and we are at home and enjoying the blessings of the Lord and the sweet fellowship of the saints. Pray for us; write to us.—B. T. S. Students, E. L. Moore.

JENSEN ON FIRE FOR GOD

JENSEN, Fla.—I praise the Lord because I am saved, sanctified and the Holy Ghost still abides deep down in my soul. I am also praising Him for giving us a new church building where we can sing and shout praises to His name.

Brother David LaFleur, our State Overseer from W. P. Beach was with us, also Brother J. H. Curry, District Overseer, and the saints from Ft. Lauderdale, Miami, and Deerfield were with us at the dedication. We had a most wonderful time. The Lord surely blessed. Our new pastor, Brother George A. Wallace was there. He is a true man of God and we love him. After the dedication he started a meeting which lasted three weeks. The Lord was with him in giving out the Word. Sister Wallace did good work at the altar, also Sister Alburta Wells.

One was sanctified and four received the Holy Ghost. Four came into the church. We are having good meetings all along. We are truly thankful for a man like Brother Wallace. I do love the way of holiness. I love the way more and more and it gets brighter and brighter to me every day. I want all of you to pray for Jensen that we may get stronger and the Lord will get the very best glory out of our lives.—Estell Mackey, Box 64.

TROY, Tenn.—Brother and Sister T. C. Voils of Orlando, Fla., were with us at Gaevar Chapel June 25th and 26th. Brother Voils preached two fine sermons. His subject Saturday night was "Sin a reproach to every man." At 2:00 p. m. Sunday his subject was "The old land mark." Sister Voils made a good talk on "Sin and Holiness" Sunday night.

We were glad for Brother and Sister Voils' visit with us and will be glad to have them help us in our revival. We covet your prayers.—G. W. Ragin, Clerk.

Orphanage Report

June 1st to July 1st

Sanitary Bakery, Cleveland, Tenn., 24 pies, 60 buns; Waresboro, Ga., 1 middle suit, 2 ladies skirts; address unknown, 9 dresses, 2 sweaters, one jacket, 2 prs. shoes, 3 skirts, pr. bloomers, 1 apron, blouse, vest, gown, ladies waist, 4 yds. cloth; Sanitary Bakery, Cleveland, Tenn., box buns; Mrs. W. G. Good, Canal Point, Fla., 19 dresses, 2 skirts, one coat, 1 cap, 1 curtain, 1-4 yds. cloth; Mrs. D. C. Morris, Monroville, W. Va., 2 prs. shoes, 6 hats, 4 caps, 3 dresses, 3 sweaters, one baby coat, 5 prs. socks, 5 ties, 12 hair ribbon holders, 9 braid hair clasp; Mrs. M. C. Wall, Jacksonville, Fla., 12 prs. rompers, 1 pr. pants, 1 pr. rubbers; Giles Girl, Tellico Plains, Tenn., 2 dresses; Sanitary Bakery, Cleveland, Tenn., 1 hundred and eight buns; Mrs. Farless, Plaza, N. Dak., 3 yds. percale; Mrs. Tom Reum, 4 dresses; Mrs. Gust Reese, Plaza, N. Dak., 2 dresses, 2 skirts, 2 suits for boys, 1 blouse; Mrs. Walter Schabery, Plaza, N. Dak., 1 pr. shoes, 1 pr. rompers, 1 cap, 1 pr. boy's pants, 4 dresses, 4 petticoats, 1 apron; Mrs. Geo. Howard, Elbowood, N. Dak., 3 prs. shoes; Mrs. John Extrom, Plaza, N. Dak., 1 pr. shoes, 18 aprons, 1 jacket, 1 towel, 5 undershirts, 1 yd. outing, 6 caps, 31 dresses, 1-2 yds. veil, 2 hats, 5 coats, 2 rompers, 1 tie, 1 bunch of hose, 5 petticoats, 2 bibs, 1 band, 4 underwaists, 1 handkerchief, 1 gown, 2 collars, 18 prs. bloomers, 1 pillow case, 5 union suits, 3 blouses; Mrs. Christ Paulson, Epworth, N. Dak., 1 sweater; Mrs. Victor Bolster, Plaza, N. Dak., 3 prs. supporters, 2 underwaists, 1 gown, Mrs. Henry Anderson, Plaza, N. Dak., 2 undershirts, 1 apron, 1 dress; Bridge Church, Hazlehurst, Ga., Mrs. Ernest Griffin, 3 baby pants, 1 pr. boy pants; Mrs. Ida Dubose, 1 boy's suit, 1 hat; Mrs. M. F. Reynolds, 1 boy's cap, 2 cakes soap; Mrs. Luther Turner, 2 waist, 3 middies; Mrs. H. D. Taylor, 1 boy's waist; 1 jacket, from Mrs. Holding Eagle, 1 ladies suit, 2 dresses, 1 serge dress, 1 pr. shoes from Felicia and Mary Duckett; 5 prs. bloomers and dresses to match, 5 dresses, 1 princess slip from the Church of God Sewing Circle, Ravena, Ky.; 5 new dresses, 2 slips, 1 slip, 1 dress, 1 centerpiece, 2 dresser scarfs, 3 pocket books, 1 cuff set, 1 pillow top, 1 rag doll, (given by Ruth Armstrong from Milne Asylum); Mrs. Ola Young, Miss Joe McDaniel.

CASH

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STOOD THE TEST

KEY WEST, Fla.—On the 11th of December my baby was very sick with high fever and convulsions. She was stiff and her eyes were back in her head and it was all we could do to hold her. I prayed until I thought I would give up. I didn't think I would ever be able to stand the test but just then the Holy Ghost witnessed for Himself and the baby was healed. My children have been sick at times but I have never had one so sick since my first one died. I want everybody to pray that I will be able to stand on divine healing.—Mrs. Chas. Lazo, 1225 Petronia St.

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Rev. S. R. Cobb was born in Oconee County, South Carolina Jan. 18, 1869 and died Jan. 13, 1927, being fifty-seven years, eleven months and twenty-five days old. He was a loyal citizen and a Christian man. He was a minister of the gospel for seventeen years. He was sick four months and was a great sufferer of yellow jaundice this being the third time he had had them. He bore his sickness with Christian patience and seemed to be resigned to the Lord's will never complaining.

He was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and it was ever his delight to tell of Jesus and His love. He was healed several times and would often shout and talk in tongues and pray for the lost world. He would tell his loved ones that he could see the beautiful angels in his room and that he would not change his soul with anyone else.

He leaves to mourn his death a wife, seven boys, three girls, thirty-four grandchildren, five brothers and one sister. He was laid to rest at Crossroad Cemetery. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Landcaster. The floral offerings were beautiful. We believe he is sweetly resting in that mansion Jesus has gone to prepare for them that do his will. His good advice and loving care will ever be cherished by his children and will surely bring good fruit in years to come.

We miss thee from our home dear father,
We miss thee from this place;
A shadow o'er our life is cast,
We miss the sunshine of thy face.

We miss thy kind and willing hand,
Thy fond and earnest care;
Our home is dark without thee,
We miss thee everywhere.

Peaceful be thy silent slumber,
Peaceful in thy grave so low,
Thou no more will join our number,
Thou no more our sorrows know.

Yet again we hope to meet thee,
When the day of life is fled;
And in Heaven with joy to greet thee,
Where no farewell tears are shed.

Eternal rest grant to him, O Lord,
And let perpetual light shine on him.
His wife and children.

COOPER

Brother J. H. Cooper was born Mar. 25, 1857, and died Dec. 5, 1926. He married the widow Drowdy and she died leaving several children. She believed in holiness and had received the Holy Ghost. Brother Cooper then married the widow Leverette who had one son. When Brother Cooper got sick they all came with one accord and helped his faithful wife take care of him. He and his second wife received the Holy Ghost about ten years ago. They were faithful workers in the Church of God. They have been faithful over a few things and we hope they will be made ruler over many things and will hear the welcome invitation, "Enter thou in the joy of thy Lord." By an old friend eighty-four years and four months old, Mrs. Sarah Cooper, his devoted wife and Grandma Burleson.

DOWANE

On Oct. 29, 1926 little Leamon Dowane passed away. He was ten months and twenty-six days old. We loved him but Jesus loved him best. He only stayed with us a short time but we know we can meet him in that beautiful home on high where we will never have to say goodbye. He leaves to mourn his death a father, mother, four sisters, one brother, grandparents, uncles, aunts and a host of friends.—M. E. Smith, Hurricane Mills, Tenn.

LONG

At 7:30 a. m. Dec. 9, 1926 our beloved Brother A. L. Long left us and went to be with Jesus. He was the son of Alexander and Elvie Anne Long and was born Dec. 22, 1883 being forty-two years, eleven months and seventeen days old when he died. He leaves to mourn his death a father, one brother, four sisters, wife and five children the youngest of which is about eight weeks old.

It seemed so hard to give him up as he was a faithful father and husband and was loved by the church. He was a member of the Church of God at Williston, Florida. We miss him so much and wonder why God called him home so soon but we weep not as those who have no hope for we expect to see him again. Truly it was a sad parting when he left us but we look for a glorious, happy meeting in the presence of the Lord. So you, his wife and children, take courage and remember our loss is Heaven's gain. You now have a treasure in Heaven awaiting your arrival.

The funeral service was conducted by the writer and his body laid to rest in the old cemetery at Bronson, Fla. to await the resurrection.—J. M. Baldrée.

LOUGHARY

On March 12, 1927 the death angel visited the home of my brother, Eddie Loughary and claimed his darling baby, Opal Ola. She was one year and twenty-six days of age. She left to mourn her departure a father, mother, one grandfather, one grandmother, many uncles and a host of friends and loved ones. Her parents are unsaved and I ask everyone to pray that they may be saved and meet their child on yonder's shore.

The funeral service was conducted at the Church of God at Gideon, Mo. by Brother Forster.—A sister in Christ, Dealle Starns, Parma, Mo. R. 2.

COLEMAN

On Thursday night May 5, 1927 the death angel visited my home at Sun, W. Va. and claimed our mother, Mrs. Phoebe Coleman, age sixty-eight years and two months. She had cancer of the liver and had been in failing health for the past year. She was a member of the Church of God and faithful in attendance as long as her health permitted. She left a bright testimony that she was going to Heaven to be with Jesus where there is no more sorrow, pain or sickness. She bore her suffering with patience and when death came she was ready and willing to go. Many prayers were offered for her and loving hands did all they could for her but God, who doeth all things well, saw fit to take her from us.

Our home seems lonely without her but we are praising God for the hope we have of meeting her in heaven. It was hard to give her up but we realize God's will must be done. Her husband, John Coleman, preceded her to the grave several years ago, also two daughters and one son. There are eight children surviving her. The funeral was held by Rev. O. W. Thomas of Lester W. Va. and she was laid to rest on Sunday, Mother's Day at Mt. Tabor. There were many beautiful floral offerings.—Her daughter, Mrs. Daisy Deacon.

Dear Mother the days are both sad and lonely
Since you have gone so far away,
But God loved you best and in Heaven
We will be with you some sweet day.

All is dark within the dwelling
Lonely are our hearts today;
For the one we loved so dearly
Has forever passed away.

When at last I reach the portals
And am greeted by my own,
I expect to find you singing
With the saints around the throne.

Oh what joy to hear you singing,
Oh what joy to find you there,
Oh what joy to hear you singing
With the saints and angels there.

Just to see you on that morning
Standing on the golden strand,
It will for me be perfect gladness
When I reach to take your hand.

Just to know you are in Heaven
And to know I've met you there
And to hear you singing praises,
Will indeed be pleasure rare.

Just to see you with the Savior
And the loved ones gone before
And to be with you in Heaven
Will be joy forever more.—

CLANTON

On May 20, 1927 at 2:10 o'clock in the morning the death angel claimed little Ruth Inez, daughter of Mrs. Sussie Clanton. She was four years, eleven months and six days old. She leaves to mourn her death a step-father, mother, one little brother and many friends and relatives. Funeral services were conducted at Red Apple Cemetery by Rev. Jim Fowler and the body laid to await the resurrection. All was done that loving hands could do but God saw best to call her home.

Good-bye Inez, you have left us
Gone with Jesus now to dwell.
But we hope some day to meet you
Where we will never say farewell.—
A friend, Mrs. Rosa Wilson, Boaz, Ala.

GRAVES

On April 11, 1927 the death angel entered our home and took our little five year old boy, Tommy Roy. He was a bright, conscientious little darling in our home and would talk so much about seeing his little brother who preceded him five months ago to be with Jesus. It seems that the two could not be separated long. May we all live close to God that the circle will be unbroken in the skies.

A precious one from us is gone
A voice we loved is hushed.
A place is vacant in our home
Which never can be filled.—His parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Graves, Omaha, Ark.

GRIFFIN

On the 28th of May, 1927 the dear Lord saw fit to take Sister Leasand Griffin home to be with Him. She leaves to mourn her death three daughters, four sons and a host of friends. She was a member of the Church of God, was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.

The funeral service was conducted by Brother F. D. Hardie, Brother C. H. Deans made a short talk.—One who loved her, A. M. Brantley, Middlesex, N. C.

SMITH

The death angel came into our home on the morning of Oct. 7th and claimed our little darling Monroe who was born Aug. 16th. It is sad and lonely without our baby, but God knows best. It only makes Heaven seem nearer. We trusted the Lord for his body. The Lord touched him but in His love saw best to take him home.

Sleep on little Monroe
And take your rest,
We loved you dearly
But God loved you best.

His father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Joab Smith, West Union, S. C.

PETTERSON

The death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister J. J. Culpepper and called grandmother Pettersson away from this world. Sister Pettersson was saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost about twelve years ago and had been a member of the Church of God for a number of years. Sister Pettersson was taken ill while visiting relatives in Valdosta and at once expressed a desire to get back to Brother J. J. Culpepper's where she had made her home for a number of years. As soon as she reached home she sent for the saints to come in and pray for her and they did. The Lord surely was there and blessed her.

The Lord does all things well so Sunday morning, March 27 between three and four o'clock the death angel called and grandmother had to go.

The funeral service took place at three-thirty o'clock Monday, March 28, at Stateville, Ga. It was conducted by her pastor after which Judge Ham, a friend of grandmother Pettersson and who had known her for about sixty years spoke very highly of her as a Christian mother. Sister Pettersson was blessed to a ripe old age, she having reached the age of about eighty years.

She leaves to mourn her departure six sons, five daughters, a host of grandchildren and twenty-one great grandchildren.

Sleep on sister Pettersson
In that sweet peace
For the trials of this life
We know have ceased.

When the trumpet shall sound
And the dead shall arise
The graves shall burst forth
And grand mother shall rise.
D. W. Mills, Lake Park, Ga. R. 3.

BARNETT

The death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister Jenkins and claimed for its victim Sister Mattie Barnett on Feb. 19, 1927. She was the wife of the late D. P. Barnett who was a bishop in the Church of God and preceded her a few months ago. She leaves to mourn her loss one sister, two adopted children and many friends.

She was an active member of the Church of God and was loved by all who knew her. She was at church as often as her health would allow her to be. We miss Sister Barnett. Her good words, her gentle acts and her kindness won for her many friends. Our loss is Heaven's gain. She was a member of the Church of God about seventeen or eighteen years.

Her body was laid to rest in the cemetery at Spring Hill, funeral services conducted in this church. We weep not as those who have no hope but we expect to meet the dear sister in that morning of the resurrection. Everything that loving hands could do was done. She requested her friends not to give her any medicine if she became unconscious. Service conducted by her pastor, J. B. Weeks, Whigham, Ga.

WILLIAMS

David Williams, son of Brother and Sister Williams of Christopher, Illinois, was born Feb. 3, 1905 and departed this life Jan. 1, 1927 being twenty-one years, ten months and twenty-seven days old. He was an exceptionally good boy. He made his home with his aged parents and was their support. He met death by accident during Xmas vacation. He lived about five days after the accident and his constant talk was of his eternal home and he exhorted others to meet him there. He was converted in his youth and united with the M. E. church.

He will be greatly missed. He leaves an aged father and mother, seven sisters, one brother and many relatives and friends to mourn his death. He made friends everywhere he went. His funeral was conducted by Rev. J. L. Goins at the Church of God.

We loved him, yes we loved him
But Jesus loved him best
And He has gently called him
To that eternal rest.

A friend, Nettie Hall.

CHURCH SET IN ORDER, LIMESTONE, W. VA.

We launched a revival in this new field, conducted by the writer. Twenty were saved, several sanctified, five came from the Assemblies of God and a church set in order April 22nd with twenty-one members, six of which have the Holy Ghost.

Praise God for this high way and for the sweet presence of Jesus. The writer was chosen pastor. May the saints everywhere pray for the saints at Petersburg where I have been pastoring for some time, also for the success of our new church building being erected.—J. M. Kile.

The Angel And The Pilgrim

M. S. Lemons.

What will you take for your journey now?
Was asked by an angel of light,
Of an old pilgrim on the Kings highway,
You are entering the shades of night.
I am not tired of the way good angel,
The path grows brighter each day,
I'm looking for a city in Immanuel's land,
And I have not long here to stay.

You are old and poor and feeble and gray,
And your cabin is soon to decay,
Give me the last ten years of your life,
And you then can be speeding away.
No sir! Not at all, my soul is on the wing,
I am bound for the city of gold,
"The way" is bright to the land of light,
The grandest old story ever told.

The night is dark and the way is rough,
You are feeble, care worn and sore,
Just change with me and fly up to the skies,
Then all of your troubles are o'er.
Angels are not tempted as men of the earth,
They have rest forever, sweet rest,
Rewards are not given to angels of light,
But to those who stand the great test.

The night of tribulation is coming on now,
And your body may fall in the fray,
You might save trouble by changing with me,
Can you suffer like a pilgrim, say?
Yes I can suffer like the disciples did,
For the man who died on the tree,
His grace was sufficient for the early saints,
And I am sure it will be for me.

Go on good pilgrim and stick to the way,
Your faith is strong in the Lord,
If you are faithful like this unto death,
I am sure you will have a reward.
Angels have never known how dark the night was,
Nor the sorrows of the poor bleeding heart,
They don't know what it means to say, farewell,
To loved ones who death has to part.

Which things the angels desired to look into.
1 Pet. 1:12.

DETERMINED TO OBEY GOD

McCAMEY, Tex.—Dear Evangel Family, greetings of love to you. This finds us still in the battle. We have been in this place for over eight weeks and still holding on. This is a new field and the people are given over much to sin and the things of this sinful life, although we thank God for His wonderful works and the way He has provided us with a building made of sheet iron. We have two lots and a building 30 x 40, floored and five swinging doors in each side and double doors in front, also has electric lights. It is a nice place to worship.

We expect to set a new church in order July 6th D. V. This is an oil field and much territory to work out for God. We preach on the streets most every evening and take up collections for the building, also Sister Davis and Sister Cole canvassed the business places of the town and we have the building almost paid for. It cost \$600.00 besides the labor, which was all given free. Brother Davis has worked faithfully for the Cause. Neither of these three workers are in the Church of God but we hope they will come over and join. All the while they knew we were going to have everything in the name of the Church of God, we've never worked under cover, we let the world know where we stand.

Brother Ferrell and Brother McKinsey and others have stood by us while in the battle here. We landed 28 miles from here with 2 cents. Bro. Rube and Duddy Norvel handed us their tithes so we came on to McCamey and a man let us have a tent 10 x 12 to live in for which we were thankful although it was small for a family of nine. A few days later, Brother McKinney brought us a new tent and a new oil stove. Thank God for men who will help carry the truth. If we can't shoot the bow, we can carry the arrows.

We have some consecrated workers with us, Brother Boll and his family. He too has stood the storm and labored faithfully. We thank God for such men. We ask the prayers of all the saints that we may prove a blessing in the state and do the biddings of our Redeemer.—M. E. Drake.

STILL IN THE BATTLE

SICARD, Ala.—I am thanking the dear Lord for what He is to me. I thank Him for saving me from a life of sin and sanctifying my soul. I am more determined each day to do His will and I want all the children of God to pray for me that I may receive the Holy Ghost and be ready when He comes or calls.

Dear saints, I am surrounded by enemies and I want you to pray that God will show them their mistake. He said we would be persecuted for His name's sake.

I am praising Him for His mighty healing power. He has healed my body twice, also two of my children. I promised Him if He would heal us I would testify of it and today finds me more determined to obey God's word. I have been in this way nearly two years and I like it better each day.

VICTORY FOR SHADY GROVE

EPPS, La.—We opened fire against the enemy about the 6th of June with Brother J. C. Coats in charge. We were discouraged at first but our Overseer led us out into a grove meeting and we called on our Captain, Jesus, for power and more help. The angels were sent down from the glory world, drove back the power of the enemy and the Lord began to help us.

During the singing stony hearts began to crumble and when Bro. Coats took control and when the altar call was given about fifteen fell in the altar crying. The Disciples of John and some of Alexander Campbell's walked in and began to help us and about the fourth day some of them went down and asked God to sanctify them.

Sister Esther Williams, our Pastor, arrived the second week, the battle raged on and we continued the grove meetings. There were many healed during the meeting. One young lady who had T. B. and who the doctors had given up, sent word for us to pray for her. Later the T. B. specialists pronounced her free from T. B. germs. She is now able to walk to the dining table to eat. We are giving God the praise and honor.

Eight followed the Lord in water baptism. The meeting closed Sunday night with two saved, four sanctified and six filled with the Holy Ghost. We enjoyed the sweet blessings of God our Father, the presence of our King and the power of the Holy Ghost all the way through the meeting, especially the last night. Some of the saints from Dunn were with us and we observed the Lord's Supper and feet washing.

Miss Missouri, you want Brother Coats to come back to see you but your sister, Lou (La.) will not give him up.—John L. Glascock.

We have a fine preacher down here, Brother Mills. He surely does preach the Bible in its fullness. Pray for me that I may stay in the center of God's will.—Mrs. Myrtle Vining.

MO. STATE CAMP MEETING

The Missouri State Camp Meeting has come to a close; the ministers and workers have returned to their different fields of labor with more determination to work for God and His church.

This was truly a great meeting. There were thirty ministers present. Brother Payne arrived on time, bringing with him Brother Oglesby from Illinois. The opening service was held Wednesday night, June 8th. The welcome address was made by the writer, response by Brother Bixler of Logan, Ill., Brother Joplin of Johnston City, Ill., Brother Milligan of West Frankfort, Ill., Brother Oglesby of Oleny, Ill.

The singing under the able management of Brother Joplin was great and the music furnished by the two Moreland sisters was truly enjoyed by all. Brother Moreland was on the job to help make the meeting a success in every way. Space will not allow us to make mention of the many good Gospel sermons. Brother Payne was truly at his best and did some wonderful preaching. Ministers of other churches came out to hear and see and went away acknowledging that they had never heard the Gospel more plainer than Brother Payne preached it. A number of souls prayed through to victory.

Our camp ground was located in a grove at the foot of the Ozarks. We were unable to seat the large crowd that gathered. All of the day services were well attended. On Sunday morning June 19th, people began to arrive at the camp ground early in the morning and continued to come until the tent was filled. Brother Payne's subject for this morning was "The Church of God Literal and Tangible," i. e. supernatural or imaginary. After speaking about two hours on this important subject, everybody felt that truly he had done the subject justice. An opportunity was then given for membership and fourteen united with the church.

The family dinner was then served and was enjoyed by all. At 3:00 p. m. we again gathered for service. Brother and Sister Barrick, missionaries from India, spoke to a well filled tent of people at this hour. Brother and Sister Barrick have only been home six weeks after spending five years in India. They preached in their costumes and told how the heathens received the Holy Ghost; how they spoke in tongues and magnified God. Sunday night Brother Moreland preached the closing sermon using the subject "Go Ye." I am sure every one was made to feel like going forward. Brother Payne's good, strong preaching has won many friends for the church. Eternity alone will reveal the good that has been done. We are hoping to have Brother Payne with us again soon, D. V.

Some of the Illinois preachers have promised to return and help us out in some new fields in the Lead Belt and we are expecting to have some new churches in Missouri by the General Assembly. Brother Moreland is now in Cleveland for a revival. He will return soon to take charge of the tent in the state of Missouri. Pray for us.—F. R. Harrawood, Box 87, Cantwell, Mo.

Sunlight At Last

PHENIX CITY, Ala.—I want to sound a note of praise for what God is doing at Phenix City, Ala. We closed a meeting three weeks ago. God saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. The Lord didn't stop blessing when the meeting closed but the good work is still going on. Since that time there has been one saved, two sanctified, three received the Holy Ghost and six added to the church. There are three to follow the Lord in water baptism.

The Lord only knows when the good work will stop. I want all the Evangel readers to help pray that God will help us build a new church. We have started saving the fund and are looking for greater things from the Lord. We have been under a cloud but thank God the sunlight has broken thru at last.—W. L. Lunsford, 918 4th St.

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